

Amendments to the Specification:

At paragraph 0024, line 3, please delete “210”.

Please amend paragraph 0032 as follows:

[0032] Since users may have a preferred penetration depth (due to variables such as target site quality or thickness), the penetration depth may be adjustable in the range of 0.3 to 2 mm, and preferably 0.5 to 1.0 mm by techniques that are known to those of skill in the art (see, for example, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0085839 ~~_____[filed October 20, 2003, entitled “Lancing Device with a Floating Probe for Control of Penetration Depth”, tentatively identified by Attorney’s Docket No. LFS-5002}~~, which is hereby fully incorporated by reference. However, in lancing devices according to the present invention, the target site bulge is consistently positioned within housing 12 upon each use of the lancing device. Since the position of the target site bulge is controlled by the trigger mechanism, via immobilization of the pressure tip, penetration depth remains constant and is, therefore, controlled.